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STORM WARNINGS!: PART TWO

SPIDER-MAN®

GUEST-STARRING:
IRON FIST

INTRODUCING PLATOON™... THE ONE-MAN KILLING MACHINE!

Stan Lee presents

SPIDER-MAN

WHEN THE DAILY BUGLE'S STORY-FILE ABOUT A FLEDGLING ILLEGAL WEAPONS CARTEL KNOWN AS A.R.M.S. WAS STOLEN RIGHT FROM UNDER THE NOSE OF PETER PARKER...

...HIS ALTER EGO, SPIDER-MAN, WAS FORCED TO BATTLE A FRIEND TO PROTECT HIS JOB.

WHEN THE HOT DATA DISCS LED DANIEL RAND TO THE DISCOVERY OF A TRAITOR TO RAND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN LEAGUE WITH ALTERNATIVE RESOURCE MUNITION SUPPLY...

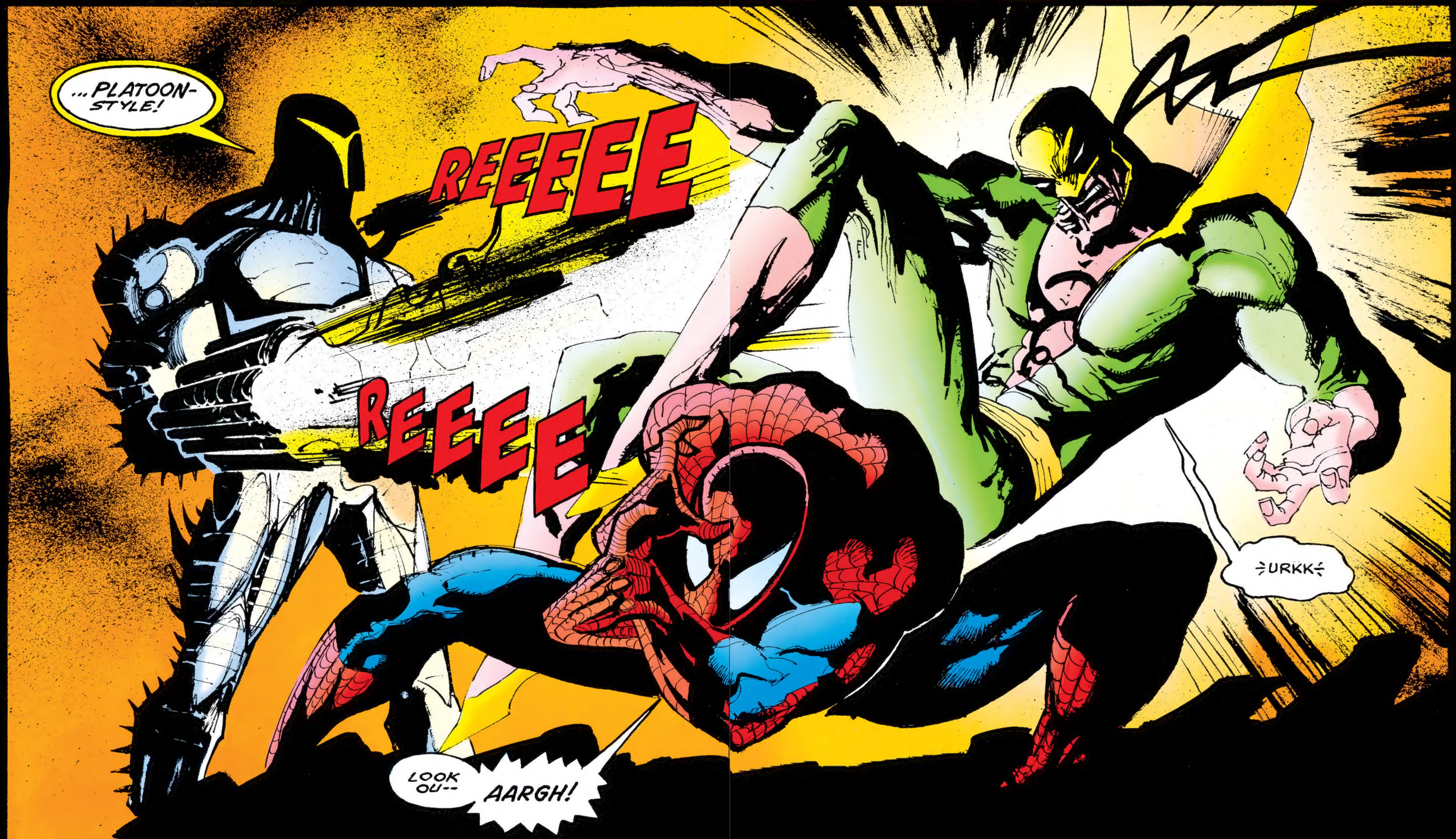
...HIS ALTER EGO, IRON FIST, WAS FORCED TO BATTLE A FRIEND TO PROTECT THE JOBS OF TENS OF THOUSANDS OF INNOCENT EMPLOYEES.

BUT WHEN THE DANGEROUS TRAIL OF DOCTOR DAVID CHODOSH LED THEM BOTH TO THE SUB-BASEMENT LABS OF RAND'S MANHATTAN CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS...

...THE TWO HEROES FINALLY FOUND THE TRUE VILLAIN.

AMBUSH, BOYS...

"STORM WARNINGS"-- PART 2 "LOCK and LOAD"



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YOU TWO HAVE-- *HAD*--A REPUTATION FOR SPEED...

...BUT I'VE GOT A *WEAPON* FOR EVERY OCCASION.

AND *SONIC-PULSES* EXPAND TO FILL A SELF-CONTAINED SPACE.

PLATOON TO A.R.M.S. CENTRAL...

SPIDER-MAN AND IRON FIST STUMBLED ONTO OUR LITTLE OPERATION, BOSS-MAN, BUT THE *WAR-SUIT* CAME THROUGH--

--AND THE ENEMY HAS BEEN *NEUTRAL-IZED.*

WRONG MOVE, *CHODOSH*...

...YOU WERE ORDERED TO RISK CAPTURE, IF NECESSARY, UNTIL WE WERE READY TO *MAXIMIZE* THE MEDIA POTENTIAL OF ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT.

RETURN TO BASE IMMEDIATELY...

THINK *AGAIN*, BIG SHOTS--

FSSH

SEB-17 NEW YORK

SKROOM

--I QUIT!

THE DARK SIDE OF TOWN...

THIS IS *NOT* GOOD GENTLEMEN--

--NOT GOOD AT *ALL.*

CHODOSH WAS A *LOOSE CANNON* FROM THE BEGINNING...

...BUT HIS *ACCESS* TO *RAND RESEARCH'S RESOURCES* WAS IN-VALUABLE TO *PROJECT: PLATOON* IN LIEU OF LIQUID CAPITAL--!

ONLY UNTIL DANIEL RAND'S *RESURRECTION* FROM THE "DEAD" MADE THE DOCTOR A *DISTINCT LIABILITY.*

WE ARE *ALL* AGREED ON THAT... NOW.

IRON FIST'S INVOLVEMENT BECAME *INEVI-TABLE*-- BUT SPIDER-MAN'S UNFORTUNATE INTRUSION INTO OUR BUSINESS WAS *IMPOSSIBLE* TO PREDICT--

--AND NOW IT'S *OUR* RESPONSIBILITY AS *A.R.M.S.'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS...*

...TO FIND A WAY TO MAKE THE *BEST* OF A *BAD SITU-ATION.*

THE RUBBLE OF RAND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT...

...THREATENS ONCE AGAIN TO **DESTROY** THE MAN WHO HELPED BUILD IT.

VZZZT

FOR AS HE AND SPIDER-MAN LIE UNCONSCIOUS...

...THE CEILING ABOVE, DAMAGED BY PLATOON, BEGINS TO CRACK AND BUCKLE AS HUNDREDS OF TONS OF BUILDING...

SKRAA-AKK

...COLLAPSE!

--I TOOK *TOO LONG* TO REVIVE US!

NO--

APPRECIATE THE "BOOST," PAL...

POOM

...BUT FIVE-SECONDS FOR A WEB-SHIELD IS CUTTING IT CLOSE.

THE HEALING POWER OF MY IRON FIST IS ONLY AS STRONG AS MY CONVICTION--WHICH IS SORELY LACKING SINCE MY RECENT RETURN TO THE CORRUPTION OF RAND RESEARCH--

--YET I NEVER DOUBTED THAT YOU SHOULD STAY ALIVE, FRIEND...

...AND THAT WAS OUR MUTUAL STRENGTH.

AND I THINK HE'S JAYWALKING--!

CHODOSH IS ALREADY GONE...

KPF-871

NO IDEA HOW LONG WE WERE OUT DOWN THERE, FIST, SO I *CAN'T* WAIT FOR--

THWIP

TEK

I LEARNED THE *VALUE* OF SPEED YEARS AGO...

SKRAASH

...AND I AM JUST NOW COMING TO APPRECIATE THE MERIT OF *MONEY.*

JUST WHAT *NEW YORK NEEDS--*

--ANOTHER YUPPIE BIKER NINJA PHILOSOPHER.

I AM NOT A *NINJA,* SPIDER-MAN...

...BUT PLATOON'S PATH OF MAYHEM POINTS *STRAIGHT* TO--

VRRMMM

--THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE.

DO YOU KNOW ANY NINJAS...?!

THIS IS ALL YOUR OWN FAULT--!

IF YOU HADN'T HERDED ME UP HERE...

...I'D HAVE THIS ARMOR HALF-WAY TO THE HIGHEST BIDDERS BELOW THE EQUATOR BY THIS TIME!

AROOWA

SKREEE

NOW I'LL HAVE TO MAKE THIS PATHETIC CITY *PAY OFF...*

...ONE *BODY* AT A TIME.

÷UKK÷

AUTHORITIES HAVE ALREADY *SEALED OFF* THE BRIDGE...

...BUT THE UNAFFILIATED URBAN TERRORIST IDENTIFYING HIMSELF ONLY AS *"PLATOON"* IS DEMANDING *TEN MILLION DOLLARS* IN EXCHANGE FOR--

"--A SMALL FAMILY OF INNOCENT TOURISTS."

UNCLE BEN...

MOTHER... FATHER...

SORRY, POPS...!

YAAIII

THWIPP

NOT AGAIN--!

VRRMMM

PLEASE...

DAD!?

ONE DOWN...

≠WFF≠

...TWO TO GO.

WE'VE GOT HIM, SPIDEY--!

KATE CUSHING DOWN THERE WON'T BE SO HAPPY TO SEE PETER PARKER WHEN SHE LEARNS HOW I *LOST*, FOUND-- AND ACCIDENTALLY *DESTROYED*-- HER PRECIOUS *A.R.M.S. RESEARCH* TONIGHT...

MY WIFE... MY SON...

...BEFORE THINGS GOT *REALLY UGLY.*

SLOW DOWN, FIST--

--THE *SAFETY* OF THE HOSTAGES COMES FIRST.

PERFECT...

SO *ELIMINATING* THE *THREAT* IS OUR TOP PRIORITY.

...NOW I CAN *RE-ENACT* MY *FIRST KILLS* FOR THE HOME AUDIENCE.

IT WOULD APPEAR, GENTLEMEN, THAT OUR ROGUE PLATOON HAS MADE OUR *DECISION* FOR US...

...THE *CAMPAIGN* HAS *BEGUN.*

IT'S *TOO SOON--!*

WE *NEED* A *CONTROLLED* ENVIRONMENT...!

TIME TO *CUT OUR LOSSES* COMPLETELY BEFORE--

TOO LATE!

WE'VE GONE *PUBLIC* ALREADY...!

NOW AN *AGGRESSIVE MEDIA BLITZ* --

--WILL FINALLY *MAKE* US OR *BREAK* US.

IF *A.R.M.S.* IS TO HAVE ANY HOPE AT ALL OF *COMPETING* WITH WELL-ESTABLISHED FIELD-LEADERS LIKE *A.I.M.**...

...OUR *TOP-LINE* COMBAT-COMMODITY MUST SURVIVE THIS VERY VISIBLE *TRIAL BY FIRE.*

OF COURSE, THERE IS ONE OTHER *OPTION* TO CONSIDER...

* *ADVANCED IDEA MECHANICS.* -- *DANNY-BOY*

"...WHEN PLATOON IS *FINISHED.*"

PHSS

SZZZ

SZZZ

FIVE'S A *CROWD*, BOYS--!

FIST'S *CLOSEST*--

SPIDER-MAN DOESN'T REALIZE WHAT KIND OF *DAMAGE* A TRADITIONAL *BUZZSAW-BLADE* CAN DO...

PHSS

SZZZ

--BUT EVEN *HE* CAN'T AVOID A STATE-OF-THE-ART *HEAT-SEEKER* FOR LONG!

"...IN THE *WRONG* HANDS."

ZZNKT

PHSS

IMPRESSIVE *ARMORY*, PLATOON...

...BUT A *WEAPON* CAN ALWAYS BE *TURNED BACK* ON ITS WIELDER.

WHAT THE--?!

PHSS

STOP, FIST--

--THE OTHERS ARE TOO CLOSE...

THWIP

DON'T MOVE, HONEY--!

FWOOM

TOO CLOSE--

--UNLESS *YOU* PROTECTED THE INNOCENTS WITH A *WEB-SHIELD* IN TIME...

WHICH IT SEEMS YOU *DID*. AND WHY NOT? AFTER ALL...

... I GAVE YOU WELL OVER SIX SECONDS.

THOSE SUCKERS HAVE ALREADY OUTLIVED THEIR USEFULNESS, HEROES--

--BUT NOW IT'S GOING TO HURT!

CAN'T LET IT HAPPEN, PLATOON...!

THEN HOLD THAT POSE, BUG--!

EVEN TITANIUM PLATING IS ONLY AS EFFECTIVE AS ITS JOINTS, CHODOSH...

KWOO...

"...AND ALL MEN ARE POTENTIAL VICTIMS OF *GRAVITY.*"

OOM

BUT FOR EVERY *ACTION* AGAINST *ME*--

WHRR

--THIS TANK HAS A *REACTION.*

IRON FIST GAVE ME THE *DISTRACTION* I NEEDED...

MOM--?!

THWIP

THWIP

...AND THAT'S *THREE* DOWN SAFELY.

YOU CAN'T TRACK *COMPRESSED AIR-BLASTS,* IRON FIST...

...SO YOU *CAN'T* EVADE THEM!

=UHF=

PHOOT

GO *LIMP,* FIST, I'LL--

--THINK OF SOMETHING...

THWI

THWI

...ANY MINUTE NOW.

WHAT ARE THE ODDS OF *BOTH* WEB-SHOOTERS RUNNING OUT AT ONCE--?!

JUST FOLLOW THE MOMENTUM OF MY ARC BACK *IN*...

...AND YOUR *SPIDER-GRIP* CAN DO THE REST.

BUT THE SIDE OF A BRIDGE IS NO PLACE TO GET *CAUGHT*--

--IN AN UNEXPECTED *ACID RAIN-STORM!*

SPRZZZ

SNNS

THE *RAPID CORROSIVES* ARE *ALREADY* EATING THROUGH THE CENTURY-OLD METALS, SPIDER-MAN.

ONLY NEED A MOMENT TO *RE-LOAD* MY *WEB-CARTRIDGES*, FIST...

...AND WE'LL TAKE THE *BACK ROUTE* STRAIGHT TO THE TOP.

IF I COULD REACH *STRIKING DISTANCE* OF CHODOSH--

--AND IF MY *RESOLVE* CAN BE TRUSTED TO *FUEL* THE POWER OF MY LIVING WEAPON--

--I AM CONFIDENT THAT MY *IRON FIST* WILL *PIERCE* EVEN HIS TITANIUM SHELL.

NOW THAT PLATOON HAS NO INNOCENT HOSTAGES TO *HIDE* BEHIND...

...I CAN GET YOU IN CLOSE ENOUGH FOR *ONE* SHOT.

AGAIN--!?

BUT YOU BETTER MAKE IT *COUNT* THE FIRST TIME!

CHK

BUDDA BUDDA BUDDA

DIE ALREADY!

TOO LATE, MADMAN...

...YOUR SICK GAME IS OVER!

SKRAAK

YOU BARELY *SCRATCHED* THE SURFACE, PEST--!

BUT FIST'S SACRIFICE *EXPOSED* MORE THAN ENOUGH OF YOUR *HARD-WIRING*--

WOK

--FOR LITTLE OLD ME TO CRE-ATE A MAKE-SHIFT *ELECTRO-MAGNETIC PULSE* OUT OF YOUR WEAPONS CIRCUITS...

...AND *LOCK UP* YOUR *INTERNAL SYSTEMS* COMPLETELY!

ZTTZ

TZZT

KRZZKZ

AFTER YOU, FIST...

PLEASE...

I WOULD BE FAR MORE *HONORED*, SPIDER-MAN--

POW

--IF WE FINISHED THIS *TOGETHER!*

SPLSH

ALL THAT REMAINS IS--

HATE TO *BREAK* THIS TO YOU, BUDDY...

...BUT IT'S JUST *BEGUN!*

AND AS THE S.W.A.T. TEAMS *FISH* THE *FIRST* UNCONSCIOUS PLATOON FROM THE MURKY WATERS OF THE *EAST RIVER*...

...AN *ARMY* OF *BLOODTHIRSTY REINFORCEMENTS* SWARM NEAR THE ALREADY SEVERELY DAMAGED BRIDGE, ENDANGERING *COUNTLESS INNOCENTS.*

BUT NOW A WORD FROM OUR SPONSORS...

CONCLUDES NEXT MONTH!